

## Appendix 2-2 Response Prompts

### Analysis of Financial Concepts in Fiction

Respond to **all** the following **that are applicable to the text**. Be sure to cite specific references (quotations and page numbers) from the text to support your responses.

- Money** Who has money in the story? How do the characters interact with money? Is money connected to privilege? Or poverty? Explain. Is money associated with any other themes in the text? Is money related to power in the text? Why or why not?
- Earning** What do characters do to earn money? Are their actions legal/illegal? What compromises (if any) do characters have to make to earn money? Do they earn enough to survive? Live comfortably? be wealthy? Does education have an effect on the character's ability to earn money? Why or Why not?
- Saving** Is money saved in the text? Why do the characters need to save money? Are they saving to buy a "want" or "need?" based on their reasons for saving, What do you think is important to the character?
- Spending** How is money spent in the text? Is the spending financially responsible? Why or Why not? Is the spending necessary? How does the spending fulfill a goal (financial or personal)? What can you infer about the character by their spending habits (i.e. they are wealthy, frivolous, impoverished, etc)?
- Investing** What and Why do characters "invest" in the text? (does not have to be monetary, can be an investment of time, effort, etc) Is there risk involved in the investment? What do these investments say about the characters' values? Could these investments lead to financial success? Why or Why not?
- Budgeting** How do characters budget in the text? What is the function of the budget? Does the budget work? Is the budget based on wants or needs? What can you infer about the character through their budget? If the character had a limitless budget, how would this change the outcome of the story? Why?
- Planning ahead** Were any of the interactions with money evidence of "planning ahead?" Why was the character planning for the future?